



USDA, AMS, Poultry Market News

Weekly Egg Products Report

December 17, 2004

The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

COMBINED REGIONAL REPORT - Combined regional for week ending **17-Dec-04** average prices on Sales to volume buyers, Grade A large, white eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

	Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Combined Regional
This week	73.00	72.50	65.50	76.50	72.08
Last week	73.00	72.50	65.50	76.50	72.08

SELECTED CITIES DELIVERED STORE DOOR LARGE - 17-Dec-04:

New York 78-82 **Chicago & Midwest** 70-75 **California** 107

WEEKLY SHELL EGG AND BREAKING STOCK INVENTORY - 13-Dec-04 - (30 DOZEN CASES - IN THOUSANDS)

	Northeast	North Central	South Central	South Atlantic	Pacific	5-Area	Breaking Stock	Total
Current week	165.3	320.8	178.2	300.7	257.2	1222.2	201.8	1424.0
% change PW	11	-17	7	6	8	0	-14	-2

Breaking Stock 17-Dec-04 - prices paid cents/dozen, material exchanged, 30-dozen case equivalent, 48 lb minimum, delivered to breakers.

	Central States	Eastern Region
Nest Run	26-28.5	23-29 M 26-28
Checks & Undergrades	12-16 M 13-15	12-18 M 13-16

Eggs Processed under federal inspection week ending **11-Dec-04**.

Pounds in Thousands (excludes ingredients)

	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CURRENT WEEK	1,286,728	31,959	11,639	6,655	2,188	4,522
PREVIOUS WEEK	1,269,751	30,795	12,016	6,592	2,177	4,313
LAST YEAR	1,189,328	30,302	10,280	5,552	2,033	4,331
% CHANGE PWK	1	4	-3	1	1	5
% CHANGE LY	8	5	13	20	8	4
TO-DATE 2004	60,821,513	1,448,555	583,941	315,818	129,875	209,205
TO-DATE 2003	57,306,078	1,411,166	515,156	280,286	111,192	204,880
% CHANGE YTD	6	3	13	13	17	2

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE INCLUDED)

Current Week: 42.57 **Previous Week:** 42.30 **Last Year:** 42.43

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)

Current Week: 39.05 **Previous Week:** 38.91 **Last Year:** 38.79

National Liquid Eggs - 17-Dec-04 - prices paid cents/lb, f.o.b. plant, non-pasteurized trucklots, for delivery within 14 days.

Class	Loads	Range	Wtd. Avg.	Change From Last Week
WHOLE	9	26-29	26.83	-.66
WHITES	16	25.5-27	26.44	.08
YOLKS	16	49-51	50.31	.62

Pasteurized salt yolk reported at 43 to 48 cents 10b with no pasteurized whites reported.

Frozen Egg Prices - 17-Dec-04 wholesale selling price cents/lb, 30-lb containers.

Class	Trucklot				Less-than-Trucklot (min 25 cont.)			
	Eastern		Central		Eastern		South California ²	
Whole	36-42	M	37-39	37-41 M	37-39	44-48	43-46	
Blends ³	TOO FEW TO REPORT					60-80	-	
Whites	38-44	M	41-44	41-44 M	42-43	47-52	47-50	
Yolks ⁴								
Sugared	55-60	M	56-60	56-60 M	59	63-67	63-66	
Salted	53-57	M	55-57	54-57 M	55-57	58-65	61-64	

² f.o.b. shipping point

³ whole plus yolk plus sweetener, generally 28-32% egg solids

⁴ minimum 43% solids

National Dried Egg Prices - 17-Dec-04 - wholesale selling prices \$/lb, in containers, trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

Class	Range	Mostly
WHOLE	1.39-1.70	1.48-1.55
YOLKS	1.30-1.50	1.38-1.45
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	2.49-3.00	2.70-2.90
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.34-1.70	1.40-1.45

Number of Light Hens Sltrd. in Federally Inspected Plants (Thousands) Weekending 11-Dec-2004

****NOT AVAILABLE****

Fowl Slaughtered in U.S.	U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada	Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered
This week	This week	This week
Last week 1,413	Last week 335	Last week 1,748
Last year	Last year	Last year
To Date 2004	To Date 2004	To Date 2004
To Date 2003	To Date 2003	To Date 2003

Inspected Egg Products

U.S. Exports To Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 04-Dec-04

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	705	0	43	748
Last year /1	354	0	0	354
To date 2004/2	18,069	36	816	18,921
To date 2003	16,223	96	551	16,870

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 04-Dec-04

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	99	3	80	182
Last year /1	2	88	32	122
To date 2004/2	7,470	1,519	2,113	11,102
To date 2003	5,075	3,604	1,211	9,890

Inspected Shell Eggs

U.S. Exports To Canada, in 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary) week ending - 04-Dec-04

	Jumbo	EX-Lg	Large	Medium	Ungraded	Misc	Total
Current week	0	3,360	4,020	2,526	2,940	0	12,846
Last year /1	66	2,370	6,390	1,849	3,330	0	14,005
To date 2004/2	392	167,247	337,481	117,874	322,421	16,790	962,205
To date 2003	570	36,188	136,273	62,555	183,392	14,222	433,200

/1 Comparable week, to date figures may not total due to rounding.
/2 Includes revisions to previous week(s).

Data Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section

WHOLE EGGS, INVITATION NO. 14, ANNOUNCEMENT PY-284

Date Issued: Dec. 13, 2004

The U.S. Department of Agriculture invites offers to sell whole eggs as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs. Offers are due by 12 noon, Central Time, Monday, Dec. 20. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, Thursday, Dec. 23 (due to the holiday on Friday for Federal employees). Deliveries are to be made from Feb. 1 to Feb. 15, 2005.

All offers must be submitted electronically through the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) website at <https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?>. Offers submitted by any means other than DEBES will be considered nonresponsive.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. **Note that some item numbers and the associated quantities for the 5-pound cartons have been set-aside for small business concerns and are indicated by a single asterisk.** Shipping instructions will indicate quantity to be delivered to each point.

Inquiries about Announcement PY-284, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Whole Eggs dated May 2004, or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0260, 1400 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, D.C. 20250, telephone (202) 720-7693. An electronic version of this Invitation can be obtained through the world wide web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.

Purchases of the commodities listed below will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement PY-284, to the listed locations. Destination quantities are estimates and are subject to adjustment based on offerings, changes in recipient need, market conditions, and program operations. Delivery by mechanically refrigerated trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

Five-pound cartons (082065) - Frozen homogenized whole eggs with a color stabilizer packaged 5 pounds (2.27 kg) net weight in a pitcher-pour type, polyethylene-coated paperboard carton, and packed six 5-pound (2.27 kg) cartons per fiberboard shipping container with 30 pounds (13.61 kg) net weight. A purchase unit will consist of 1,334 shipping containers totaling 40,020 pounds (18,153 kg).

Bulk liquid whole eggs (083090) - Bulk liquid whole eggs (without color stabilizer) for further processing, packed and shipped in insulated tankers, 48,000 pounds (21,772 kg) net weight in each tanker. A purchase unit will total 48,000 pounds (21,772 kg).